



Environmental Impact Statement

Scoping Comment for the Proposed Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company STB Finance Docket No. 35087

Comment Form

How Do I Submit Comments?

- **Written Comments:** Complete and submit this form at the public open house scoping meeting, or follow the directions on the reverse side of this sheet to mail your comments.
- **Recorded Comments:** Provide your comments to a member of the project team or court reporter at this public open house scoping meeting, or call the toll-free project information line: 1-800-347-0689.
- **Electronic Comments:** Submit electronic comments by visiting the Surface Transportation Board's website, www.stb.dot.gov, under the heading "E-Filing."

Please refer to STB Finance Docket No. 35087 in all correspondence addressed to the Surface Transportation Board. Comments must be submitted by February 1, 2008.

To The Surface Transportation Board:

My Comments on the proposed sale of the E.J. & E railroad to the Canadian National Railway Co. is basically that The Canadian National's supposed benefits are totally illusionary. We live 1.06 miles South of the B.N.S.F. Line and 1.13 miles West of the E.J. & E. line. During August 2007 I ran a 10 day Sound Log. As a Mechanical Engineer with experience in IEC Sound Measuring Standards Our log is Accurate. The longest whistle sound was from the EJOE at 6.8 minutes @ 78 DBa. This was inside our house with windows closed. This would yield a 4 mile wide sound path along the length of the line. Projecting this over the population maps gives roughly 4 million people receiving a 3 digit percent increase as opposed to a single digit reduction for about 3 million. A very poor trade.

As for traffic, given recovery times & traffic loads, The E.J. & E / Ill. Rt. 34 crossing must be grade separated, preferably by elevating the rail bed, before any traffic increase can be permitted. A maximum crossing block should be implemented on the line as well. From timing, I would suggest not over 5 minutes in any 60 minute period.

What scoping meeting did you attend? (Please circle): Mundelein, Barrington, Joliet, Matteson, Gary, West Chicago, Chicago.
you failed to hold a meeting in the two largest & three largest cities.
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YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

Comments provided by the public help determine the scope of the environmental review.

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